

Elk & Bear Permit Drawing coming soon! The Natural Resources Commission has announced that they will be having their annual Elk and Bear drawing/Informational meeting on June 20th at 12:00pm. The Commission is planning on having the meeting in the lower level on the Natural Resources Building on 9th Street in Manistee.

2015 Jiingtamok at LRBO!! News out of Tribal Historical Preservation is that the Pow Wow this year will be on July 4th and

5th at the Gathering Grounds in Manistee. Grand entries will be on Saturday the 4th at noon and 7 p.m. and on Sunday the 5th at noon. See page 98for updated details!

Language Camp Agenda announced! Please see pages 9 and 10 for the Language Camp Agenda for 2015 and make plans to attend this interesting and informative event. Miigwech to all for making it happen!

Cooking Matters! June 23rd there is a great new program starting at Aki Maadiziwin Community Center. It is the *Cooking Matters Nutrition Class*, taught by a Chef and Nutritionist. See all the details on page 13.

LRCR Concert Lineup! See the latest concert lineup for the Little River Casino Resort on page 14.

A young language student from 2014!

Elder Committee Meetings! Elder Committee Meeting Schedule has changed for the months of July and August. July 11th at Noon @ Aki; August 8th at Noon @ Aki . Please make a note and share the information.

Annual Elder Conference is November 7th & 8th and Christmas Party December 5th, please Save the Date!

Medicare News—Medigap! Members Assistance is sharing information on the Medigap plans. Please see page 6

May Currents is online! The 28 page May *Currents* is on line. Go to https://www.lrboi-nsn.gov/images/docs/public-affairs/currents/2015/Currents%20-%20May%202015.pdf to see this and other issues. The printed May issue will be arriving in homes in 7-10 days.

Facebook continues to be
used to reach outbe sure
and check out the official
LRBOI Facebook page!
Also go to the website for
updated announcements
and back issues of the
Currents & Rapid River
News!

	LAST WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK	TREND
Total Page Likes	1,313	1,301	0.9%
New Likes	13	8	62.5%
Weekly Total Reach	2,400	2,078	15.5%
People Engaged	316	382	-17.3%

News, updates and recent announcements from our tribe, calendar of events, flyers, prayers and more information.

Please note that: Hyperlinks are scattered throughout the RRN .These 'links' take you direct to documents, websites and further Information that you can use.

Just click on them or copy and paste them in your browser for more info!

Enrollment in Muskegon June 23rd!

The Enrollment Department will be at the **MUSKEGON OFFICE ON, TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2015, from 10 to 5 p.m**. with their Tribal Identification Machine. Any person who needs a new Tribal Card, or has an expired Tribal I.D. card can get new card at that time. Make sure you bring your Old Tribal I.D. Card, a Driver's License or picture I.D. The cost for a new Tribal I.D. is \$5.00.

The Enrollment Department will bring Forms for Direct Deposit, Beneficiary Forms, Change of Address Forms. Remember the Enrollment Department will only be in Muskegon for one day, and that is Tuesday, June 23.

If you have other questions, or need help please call the Enrollment Department at 231-398-6720; 398-6713; 398-6712.

Other Upcoming Items, Dates & Announcements

(For details, see previous Rapid River News, Facebook or *Currents* issues)

- **Elk/Bear Permit Drawing!** June 20th at noon, lower level Natural Resource Bldg on 9th St.
- **Housing Commission Info Meeting!** June 27th from 9-noon at Community Center
- Great American Camp Out (for kids)! June 28-29, see flyer on page 12
- 2015 LRBOI Jiingtamok! July 4th and 5th in Manistee at the Gathering Grounds.
 See pg 8
- **Elder Committee Meeting** Schedule has changed for the months of July and August.
 - July 11th at Noon @ Aki, August 8th at Noon @ Aki
- 2015 Language Camp! July 25-26. See the flyer in past issues and in the Currents
- **Membership Meeting Dates for 2016-2017:** (Call the hotel at Ph: (231) 723-1535 or Toll Free at 1-888-568-2244 for reservations)
 - 2015—Fall meeting, October 10, 2015
 - 2016 April 9, 2016 & October 8, 2016
 - 2017 April 8, 2017 & October 7, 2017
- Annual Elder Conference is November 7th & 8th and Christmas Party December 5th
- Tribal department directory on the last page!

Tribal Court Docket

Court Docket

Key:		FJ	Foreign Judgment	NA	Neglect Abuse
СО	Cora Offense/Conservation	FSJ	Foreign Support Judgment	NC	Name Change
cs	Child Support	GA	Gaming Appeal	PF	Probate
СТ	Civil Ticket	GC	General Civil	PPO	Personal Protection Order
DM	Divorce with children	GM	Guardianship of Minor	TA	Trust Access
DO	Divorce w/o children	GR	Employment Matter	TM	Tribal Misdemeanor
EA	Enrollment Appeal	JC	Judicial Complaint	WC	Workmen's Compensation
EB	Election Board Appeal	JV	Juvenile		
EM	Emancipation of Minor	LT	Landlord Tenant		

Monday, June 8, 2015		Judge Bailey
10:00 a.m.	LRB v. Smith	15036TM Final Pretrial
11:00 a.m.	Closed Hearing	15027GM Guardianship
Monday, June 15, 2015		Judge Bailey
10:00 a.m.	Doe v. Lakso	14217GC Trial
01:15 p.m.	Abbey v. Abbey	14261DO Pretrial
Monday, June 22, 2015		Judge Bailey
10:00 a.m.	LRB v. Metzger, A.	15042TM Sentencing
11:00 a.m.	Neglect/Abuse	11223NA Review
01:15 p.m.	Guardianship	13125GM Motion Hrg.
Friday, June 26, 2015		Judge Sherigan
10:00 a.m.	LRB v. Champagne	15054CT Formal Hearing
Monday, June 29, 2015		Judge Bailey
10:00 a.m.	LRB v. De Bres	09274TM Arraignment
10:30 a.m.	Sam v. LRCR	14211GC Trial

LRBOI TRIBAL GOVERNMENT JOBS

The Human Resources Department welcomes your application for posted positions that are of interest to you! Did you know that job openings can be found on-line and on bulletin boards at government buildings? Job announcements are updated on a continuous basis. Look no further than these convenient sources for your next opportunity.

www.lrboi-nsn.gov

Rapid River News Weekly—Tribal Government Buildings—By calling the HR Department

Current Job Postings			
Job Title	Department	Open Date	Close Date
Administrative Assistant	Enrollment	6-4-15	6-18-15

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

An application must be submitted, resumes and cover letters are strongly encouraged.

Applications will remain active for a period of 6 months after receipt of your application. Please contact the Human Resource Department if you are unsure if you have an active application.

When you see a job that you would like to apply for please contact Alyce Giltz at Phone: (231) 398-6859, Fax: (231) 398-9101 or E-mail: agiltz@lrboi-nsn.gov This email address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it. .

You can download the Employment Application and send it in by postal mail, e-mail, fax or hand deliver it if you choose. Applications are kept active for 6 months. Tribal Preference is applied to all positions.

What about Temporary Work? Send in or drop off your application at anytime and be included in our temporary employment pool. Just be certain to check "temporary" or place "temp pool" on the position of interest line. Temporary assignments range from 1 to 180 days in duration. It's a great way to gain experience and sharpen your skills. **Indian Preference applies to the hiring of all vacant positions.** Please send your application, resume, and cover letters to:**LRBOI Human Resources**

2608 Government Center Drive, Manistee, MI 49660F

Fax: (231) 398-9101 E-mail: <u>agiltz@lrboi-nsn.gov</u> Phone: (231) 398-6859 or (888) 723-8288



Workforce Development at Little River!

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Workforce Development Programs are operated through the tribe's Commerce Department. The Workforce Development Programs links job placement and skill development into a system of lifelong learning and opportunity. Through resources and services created for employers, employees, the unemployed and the underemployed, Tribal Citizens utilizing Workforce Development Program services can take control of their economic future and the security of their families. The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Workforce Development Programs contributes to the economic security of LRBOI, its' businesses and communities through a comprehensive program of skillbuilding and educational components. These components include: 1) Internship Program for the college student designed to provide the Tribal Citizen or Descendant with the opportunity to gain supervised experience in a work setting for which academic credit is earned; 2) Internship Hosting to assist LRBOI Tribal Citizens who are in the Internship component by providing them with a low or no-cost lodging opportunity so they may fulfill their Internship requirements in a safe and friendly environment; 3) Development & Training providing various training and services as needed for LRBOI Tribal Citizens; 4) Career Assistance Voucher for newly hired employees to be used for supplies, tools, clothes, transportation, or anything that reasonably assists the individual in advancing their career; 5) GED/Adult Education Voucher to help cover costs associated with the completion of a high school diploma or GED; 6) Adult (18+ years) and Youth (16-17) Work Experience Employment Programs are designed to provide the Tribal Citizen not in higher education supervised experience in an entry level work setting without having to achieve an academic requirement. Mandatory Job Readiness Training is required to complete the program; 7) Need based Vocational Assistance Award available to the Tribal Citizen attending a post-secondary state or accredited vocational/technical program who has applied for all other available financial aid and shows unmet need; 8) Summer College Book Stipend for Tribal Citizens attending a non-profit accredited college or university may receive assistance in purchasing college textbooks and supplies for Summer Semester only. For additional details about each component and how to qualify, please follow this link:

https://www.lrboi-nsn.gov/index.php/membership-services/commerce or contact the Workforce Development Program at LRBOI.



Medicare News - June 2015

What's going to happen with the Blue Cross Blue Shield Legacy Medigap Plans?

Counselors from the Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program continue to get questions from Medicare beneficiaries concerning the Blue Cross Blue Shield Legacy Medigap plans. BCBSM has been offering the Legacy "A" plan and the more popular "C" plan to Michigan residents for a number of years. The Legacy "C" plan pays for the deductibles and co-pay expenses not covered by Medicare Part A and Part B. The Legacy "C" plan has been attractive to beneficiaries because of the excellent benefits and the lower premium costs as a result of a subsidy that will be ending August of 2016.

In early 2013, the Michigan Legislature passed two bills that would reorganize BCBSM into a mutual insurance company. One of the bills contained language requiring BCBSM to continue with their subsidy of the Legacy Medigap plans through July of 2016. When the bills were being heard in the House Insurance Committee it was reported that there were over 200,000 Michigan Medicare beneficiaries enrolled in these Legacy products. Since then, several thousand more individuals have signed up for one of these popular plans.

So, what's in store for Legacy policy holders when August 2016 arrives? At this point there are more questions than answers. While we wait on BCBSM to announce the details of what they have planned, we do know one thing. The subsidy will be ending, so Legacy subscribers will pay more in premium costs to keep the same level of coverage. This is true whether a Medigap plan of their choice is with BCBSM or some other insurance company. The costs will vary depending on underwriting and pricing variables used by companies that offer these plans. It has been estimated that beneficiaries can expect an increase in the amount of \$50 to \$100, or more, in monthly premiums for a typical "C" Medigap plan, once the subsidy ends.

Medicare has a rule that provides a guaranteed issue right that can pertain to subscribers of Medigap plans. The right guarantees, in specific situations, that insurance companies must sell certain Medigap plans to you; they must cover your pre-existing conditions; and they can't charge you more based on past or present health problems.

BCBSM Legacy plan subscribers can be eligible for this important right based on a specific provision in Medicare rules. The provision reads, "if your Medigap policy coverage ends through no fault of your own", you are eligible for the right. It would appear that BCBSM would need to terminate their Legacy products in August of 2016 for subscribers to be eligible for this special provision. For those folks who want to continue with a Medigap plan, this right is extremely important. They would be able to purchase a Medigap policy from another company although the premium could be significantly higher.

Those who can't afford to pay the higher prices for a Medigap plan can consider a Medicare Advantage Plan or simply have only Medicare Part A and B and then be responsible for the associated deductibles and copays out of their pocket.

There are still a lot of questions as far as how Legacy policy holders will be impacted in August of 2016. Many of them will be answered once BCBSM announces their plans regarding the Legacy products.

Beneficiaries can obtain local help regarding this topic or any other item associated with Medicare and Medicaid insurance programs by contacting a trained and certified counselor with the Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program (MMAP). Simply call our toll free number at 800-803-7174 and leave a message.



(Cultural & Government related items)

Warriors Society: Wanted...Veterans who want to actively participate in the Little River Band Warrior Society. Please email vjohnson@lrboi.com for an application and/or additional information.

We are constantly in need of Warriors for color guard duties for various events. Please consider becoming active or joining and being an active member. The Warrior Society meets the first Saturday of every month at 10am at the Aki Community Center located at the entrance to the LRBOI Housing Area. The Warrior Society meetings are usually followed by the monthly elders meeting at Noon.



Commission Openings! Please note that Tribal Members living outside the Manistee Area are also encouraged to apply for the Commissions and Committees! The tribe continues to seek applications from tribal members interested in serving on any commission or committee of the tribe. Ogema Romanelli has asked for members to submit letters of interest along with why they would like to be on the various Commissions and what skills or knowledge they bring to the group. Applicants will need to submit a commission application along with your letter of interest. You will need to contact Mary Thomas (extension 6824) in the Ogema's office to get an application and will need to submit both in order to be considered.

Please send the letter and application to the attention of Executive Assistant, Mary Thomas, Office of the Ogema, 2608 Government Center Drive, Manistee, MI 49660.

"Power comes and goes. It can vanish in the twinkling of an eye, like smoke dissolving in the air."

Archie Fire Lame Deer, LAKOTA

The East, South, West and North are the powers of the four directions. The Creator makes these powers available to do things. W pray to the Creator to give us the power to do these things. Often we are given these powers for awhile, the these powers disappear. Power is given and taken from us by the Great Spirit, the source of power. During the time we have this power, we should be responsible and use the power in a good way. Many good things can be accomplished when we realize where this power really comes from.

Great Spirit, today, show me how to use Your power

Kateri Prayer



River Band of Ot

July 4 & 5, 2015

Host Drum:

Dusty Bear

Co-Host Drum:

Urban Nation

nvited Drums: Spirit Lodge

Red Cedar

War Party

Swirling Wind

Sons of the Three Fires

Southern Straight

Rizing Bear

Show-Up Drums First 5 Onsite & Registered

Tribal Gathering Grounds

(Corner of US-31 & M-22 across the street from the Little River Casino Resort and behind the Trading Post gas station)

Manistee, MI

Grand Entries:

Saturday: 12pm & 7pm Sunday: 12 pm

Free Parking & No Admission Fee

Native American Food Available Native American Arts & Crafts Vendors

Bleacher seating available, but feel free to bring your own chairs. NO alcohol, drugs, weapons, and pets except service animals.

Drum & Dancing Competitions Throughout the Weekend

All Dance Categories Male & Female 55+ years 1st: \$300 2nd: \$200 18-54 years 1st: \$300 2nd: \$200 12-17 years 1st: \$150 2nd: \$75 6-11 years 1st: \$75 2nd: \$50

Drums 1st: \$2,500 2nd: \$1,500

Head Veteran George Martin

Head Dancers:

Paul Syrette Renee Diehlman Frank & Leslie Lewis

Emcee:

Philip Memberto

Arena Director Andre

Neebnagezhick

Dance Judges: Dave & Punkir Shananaguet

> **Public** Welcome!

Drum Information: Call Philip Memberto at (315) 925-9545 Other Information: Call 1-888-723-8288



22nd Annual Anishinaabe Family Language & Culture Camp Saturday, July 25th Agenda

Time	Presenter	Presentation Title	Tent#
Sunrise		Waabini Manidookewin (Sunrise Ceremony)	Fire Lodge
8:00		Breakfast (Volunteers Welcomed)	1
9:00		Gdinimikaagoom (Opening)	1
9:15	Shirley Brauker	Making Awl/Scissors Cases	1
	Marty Reinhardt	Surviving a Zombie Apocalypse	2
	Doris Boissoneau	Stone/Rock Teachings	3
	Zhaawan & Nimkiins Sprague	Minomin (Wild Rice)	4*
10:45	Shirley Brauker	Making Awl/Scissors Cases	1
	Leon Valliere	Woven Yam Bags & Sashes (Yarn & Tools Needed)	2
	Ngwaagan Eshkibok & Co.	Anishinaabemowin Curriculum	3
	Kalisha Burtrum	Hand & Stick Games of Oklahoma	4*
12:00		Lunch (Served by Tribal Council & Ogema)	1
1:15	Jennie Blackbird	Residential School Experience	1
	Marty Reinhardt	Surviving a Zombie Apocalypse	2
	Ngwaagan Eshkibok & Co.	Anishinaabemowin Curriculum	3
	Rabbit Stalzer & Zhaanii Wolfe	The Heartbeat of Our People	4*
2:45	Lucy Hunter	Documentary—Rabbit Proof Fence	1
	Doris Boissoneau	Seven Grandfather Teachings	2
	Leon Valliere	Woven Yam Bags & Sashes (Yarn & Tools Needed)	3
	Kalisha Burtrum	Indian Dice	4*
4:00	Jeremiah Pheasant	Anishinaabe Baseball *	Baseball "Field"
5:00		Dinner (Volunteers Welcomed)	1
7:00		Jiingtamok—Host Drum: Niizh Miishiikenh Emcee: Doris Boissoneau Arena Directors: Jeremiah Pheasant & Steve Knauf	

22nd Annual Anishinaabe Family Language & Culture Camp Sunday, July 26th Agenda

Time	Presenter	Presentation Title	Tent#
Sunrise		Waabini Manidookewin (Sunrise Ceremony)	Fire Lodge
8:00		Breakfast (Volunteers Welcomed)	1
9:15	Shirley Brauker	Making Awl/Scissors Cases	1
	Marty Reinhardt	Surviving a Zombie Apocalypse	2
	Doris Boissoneau	Stone/Rock Teachings	3
	Janine Sam & Zhanii Wolfe	Teachings	4*
10:30	Jeremiah Pheasant	Anishinaabe Baseball *	Baseball "Field"
10:45	Ngwaagan Eshkibok & Co.	Anishinaabemowin Curriculum	1
	Jennie Blackbird	Residential School Experience	2
	Leon Valliere	Woven Yarn Bags & Sashes (Yarn & Tools Needed)	3
	Kalisha Burtrum	Beginning Conversations	4*
12:00		Lunch (Volunteers Welcomed)	1
1:00		Giveaway—Honor / Traveling Song: Niizh Miishiikenh	

Workshop Notes:

All of the workshops can be attended by anyone, but workshops specifically targeted for children are indicated with italic font. Adults and teenagers are welcomed to observe these workshops too. There are non-italicized workshops in which children are welcomed to attend that are appropriate for all age groups as well. Workshops with an asterisk (*) are specifically targeted more for teenagers and / or young adults, but everyone is welcomed to observe and/or participate.

Miigwech gaabizhaayik Bipskaabiik ngopeboongaak miinawa, gaabaabaabiigoom

Kwewok Circle

You can become a Princess!

Requirements to apply
Age 13-18
Single, no dependents
Full regalia
Must have knowledge of
customs and traditions,
will have to write a short Bio
about yourself. Share goals,
ambitions, education,
family ,your interest and
hobbies

Must be Little River or a descendent

You will be judged on traditional knowledge, Dance, Personal interview.

For information or how to apply call Kwewok Circle 231-510-2424 Deb Davis Miss LRBOI Princess Angel Shaw 2014-15



Imagine yourself being crowned Miss LRBOI Princess
What an honor!

You will travel to make personal appearances to represent the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, as a role model for our people and the other young ladies aspiring to become princess.

You will receive a Crown, Sash, Flowers, a photo shoot and many extras including being treated as royalty. The runners up will receive a sash, flowers



LRBOI Education Department

Invites You to Participate in The Great American Camp Out



WHEN: Saturday, June 27th, noon to Sunday, June 28th, noon.

WHERE: LRBOI GATHERING GROUNDS

WHO: KIDS 7 TO 12 YEARS OLD (limit 10 girls, 10 boys)

WHAT TO BRING: A sleeping bag/blankets and pillow, and overnight stuff. We have two large tents, one for boys, one for girls, or you can bring a pup tent if you'd like.

PLEASE RSVP BY NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, JUNE 19TH TO:

DEBRA DAVIS, 231-398-6724 or SANTANA AKER, 231-398-6654

ddavis@lrboi-nsn.gov saker@lrboi-nsn.gov

If we have more people who want to participate than for whom we have space, tribal members will have preference, participants will be selected by drawing from those who RSVP by June 19th.







Cooking Matters

Nutrition Classes Taught by a Chef and Nutritionist

Classes start June 23rd at 1:30 pm at Aki Community Center Limited space is available, reserve your spot now!

Classes are Free of charge!

Participants will receive a cookbook and groceries to make meals at home!

** 6 Week Program / 2 hours per class each week**

Topics

Healthy Snacks

Shopping Smart

Food Safety at Home

Cooking Tips from the Chef

Planning Balanced Meals

Tips for Eating Out

For more information or to sign up for class please contact Noelle Cross - Elder Meals Program Administrator

Kitchen Phone 231-398-2813 / Office Phone 231-398-6886

Sponsored by the Members Assistance Department - Title VI Elder Meals Program



CONCERT LINE UP FOR 2015

Friday - June 5th Kansas at 9pm • SOLD OUT Jack \$25, Queen \$35, King \$45 Skid Row Friday - June 12th at 9pm · SOLD OUT Jack \$20, Queen \$25, King \$30 Friday - June 19th Terri Clark at 9pm • SOLD OUT Jack \$30, Queen \$40, King \$50 Saturday – July 11th The Jets & Color Me Badd at 8pm • On Sale Now! Jack \$25, Queen \$40, King \$50 Saturday - July 18th Blues Traveler at 8pm • On Sale Now! Jack \$25, Queen \$40, King \$50 Friday - July 24th Travis Tritt The Calm After Tour at 9pm • On Sale Now! Jack \$30, Queen \$45, King \$55 Saturday - August 15th Happy Together Tour 2015 at 8pm • On Sale Now! The Association, The Turtles, Mark Lindsay. The Grass Roots, and The Cowsills Jack \$45, Queen \$55, King \$65 Friday - August 21st Dee Snider The Legendary Singer of Twisted Sister With Special Guest Lita Ford at 9pm • On Sale Now! Jack \$45, Queen \$55, King \$65

More upcoming shows to be announced soon.

Stay tuned, and thank you for choosing Little River Casino Resort.





Main Phone: (231) 723-8288 or Toll Free 888-723-8288. Use the following extensions for:

artments	Location Director or m	ain phone numbe
Accounting	Government Center—Main Entrance	231.398.6868
Be-Da-Bin	Government Center—Clinic entrance	231.398.6741
Commerce	Government Center — Main Entrance	231.398.6815
Commodities	Aki Maadiziwin Community Center	231.398. 6715
Education	Government Center—Clinic entrance	231.398.6735
Enrollment	Government Center-Main Entrance	231.398.6712
Fitness Center	Government Center—Lower Level	231.398.6636
Family Services	Government Center—Clinic entrance	231.398.6734
Grants Department	Government Center—Main Entrance	231.398.6843
Gaming Commission	Old Casino Building	231-723-775
Health Clinic	Government Center—North End	231.398.6600
Historic Preservation	Government Center- Lower Level	231.398.6893
Housing	Aki Maadiziwin Community Center	231.398.6879
Human Resources	Government Center-Main Entrance	231.398.6871
Members Legal Asst.	Justice Center on M22	231.398.2234
Members Assistance	Government Center-Main Entrance	231.398.6718
Natural Resources	9th Street Offices—Manistee	231.398.2191
Peacemaking/Probation	Justice Center on M22	231.398.2239
Planning Department	Government Center —Main Entrance	231.398.6810
Prosecutor	Justice Center on M22	231.398.2242
Public Affairs	Government Center-Main Entrance	231.398.6872
Public Safety	Justice Center on M22	231.398.2225
Tax Office	Government Center—Main Entrance	231.398.6874
<u>Utilities/Waste Water</u>	Dontz Road (near Aki Maadiziwin)	231.398.2285
Work Force Developmen	t Government Center—Main Entrance	231.398.6842